MACKINAC ISLAND SCOUT SERVICE TROOP 127
THE GOVERNOR'S HONOR GUARD 2017
May 29 – June 3, 2017

THE FACTS!

Mackinac Island is one of the most visited spots in America. Mackinac Island is Michigan's Summer Capital, with the Governor in attendance on many days.

Because of the nature of this operation, our emphasis is on SERVICE. Our contingent has been selected to serve the State of Michigan and the people that visit the Fort and the Island. This places a heavy responsibility upon each scout and adult leader's appearance, conduct and performance of our assigned duties. Scouting, especially our contingent, is in the public eye. Scouting will be, and always has been, judged by the excellent or unfavorable impression each individual imparts to those with whom he comes in contact. There will never be a better opportunity to exemplify the living of the Scout Oath and Law then your service week on Mackinac Island.

This will be your best chance to live the patrol method that Baden Powell started in the beginning of scouting.

SERVICE DATE: May 29 – June 4, 2017 **COST:** $250 per scout.

TO APPLY: Go to www.misst127.com to fill out the online application.

If you are unable to fill out on line call Dennis Marshall 810-338-9644.

February 1, 2017 application deadline.

A deposit of $60 will be required with the Signature Sheet and Temporary Personal Health form: You may pay all at once or the balance can be in payment: $60 2/7/17, $70 3/7/17, final $60 4/11/17. The cost includes: food, transportation, lodging, bolo, nametag, troop polo shirt, troop hat, troop picture, bike privileges, Mackinac Island Scout Service patch, and footlocker.

GIVE PAYMENTS TO: Margaret Marshall, Treasurer – bring to meeting. Make checks or money orders payable to: MISST 127

SIZE OF SERVICE TROOP: 41 - 56 Boy Scouts & 8 - 10 adult leaders.

Scouts will be divided into the number of patrols required. This year's SPL along with the adult leadership will choose the ASPL's next SPL, ASPL's &Adults, choose the PL's. The PLC & Adults will choose the APL's.

All choices will be based on the online request form filled out from the boys wanting to be leaders.

SCOUT'S REQUIREMENTS:

RANK ------- First class by May 29, 2017.

MINIMUM AGE - 13 by beginning of service, May 29, 2017.

SCOUTING TIME - One continuous scouting year as of May 29, 2017.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS --- All Boy Scouts will be asked to sign an agreement indicating that, while with the Mackinac Island Service Troop, he will live by the Scout Law and the Scout Oath and participate in the Patrol Method. Also a signature of the Scout's Home Scoutmaster is required on the application.

PHYSICAL EXAM:

The **completed Water and Woods Council physical form** is required along with your insurance medical carrier and policy number. A copy of this will be **due to the Troop Health Officer by April 11, 2017**.

CONDUCT AND APPEARANCE: *BEST BEHAVIOR REQUIRED*. Scout Oath & Law followed.

DUTIES: The troop will raise flags in the morning and lower them in the evening at various locations throughout the Fort and nearby park buildings. Scouts also act as guides at locations throughout the Fort and nearby historic park buildings. Scout Guides mainly distribute information and answer questions from the public, as well as assist State Park personnel as required. Guide duty requires about three hours daily for four days; minimal KP duties will also be required. No guide duty is required the day of arrival and Saturday the departure day. Our troop will also be responsible for service projects by each patrol while on the Island.

UNIFORMS: Full dress uniform with long trousers (new canvas type – no nylon), and red nylon scout jacket ordered thru the troop will be required for all scouts during flag raising/lowering, while on guide duty and while visiting the village on the Island. Uniforms will also be worn while visiting Fort Mackinac, any Grand Hotel facility and upon arrival and departure. Additional uniform information will be given when details are available. Uniforms are the responsibility of each scout and **must be complete by April 11, 2017.** ABSOLUTELY NO gym shoes or hiking boots are to be worn while in uniform. Brown leather shoes are required. **If you are not sure about them, ask before you buy**. Scouts in uniform ARE NOT ALLOWED to wear sunglasses. Uniforms are not

allowed while bicycling. Scouts should be in presentable attire while hiking, bicycling or at recreational activities on the barracks grounds and on the island. Work clothes would be used while on service project assignments.
LIVING QUARTERS: All scouts and adult leaders will occupy the Scout Barracks, a two-story building containing dormitory - type sleeping quarters, (boys upstairs / adults downstairs) dining hall, kitchen, lavatory, showers and first aid room. An automatic washer and dryer (**for uniforms only**) are available for use in the barracks (to be operated by the adults only). The barracks is located north of Fort Mackinac.
RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES: The barracks grounds include a baseball diamond and horseshoe court. Volleyball, badminton, basketball, hiking, tennis and bicycling are also available. Swimming may be available at the Grand Hotel outdoor pool; however, scouts may be charged per visit by the hotel. No fishing, swimming or wading is allowed by scouts in any waters surrounding Mackinac Island. Time will be available for homework, rank advancement and merit badge work. The Historic Trials Award can also be earned during the week.
MACKINAC ISLAND VILLAGE: Scouts will not be allowed in the village after 6:00PM. All visits to the village will be done as a group w/adult leader present. All scouts MUST be in full uniform.
TRANSPORTATION: The troop will depart from the Council Office, Flint, MI; the mode of transportation is pending. Times will be finalized by May 16 or before.
SNACKS: NO snacks are allowed in the Barracks sleeping area. They will be kept in the adult area(downstairs)
CONTACT INFO:
Dennis Marshall, 3240 Reamer Rd. Lapeer, MI 48446 - Phone # (810) 338-9644, E-mail: misst127@charter.net

2017 Mackinac Island Scout Service Camp Important Dates

All potential leaders should be filling out the application
as soon as it is available. GO TO FORMS
December 1, 2017 or before
SPL Youth Leader Request Form for SPL Due
Adult Leader Request Form Due
January 1, 2017 or before
Youth Leader Request Form all other positions Due
February 1, 2017 or before: All Applications Due go to FORMS page.

LEADERSHIP MEETINGS
January 10, 2017
Adult Leaders (former & new), SPL, (Choose ASPL's) 7-9 pm Meeting **RM 104 TUMC**
January 17, 2017
Adult Leaders (former & new), SPL, ASPL (Choose Patrol Leaders) 7-9 pm Meeting **RM 104 TUMC**
January 24, 2017
Adult Leaders (former & new), PLC (Choose Assistant Patrol Leaders) 7-9 pm Meeting **RM 104 TUMC**

MANDATORY TRAINING MEETING DATES:

- **February 7: Troop Working Meeting - Parents Meeting (1 parent minimum required) 7-9 pm**
- **February 21: Troop Working Meeting – 2nd Parents Meeting (if unable to make it to 2/7/17) 7-9 pm**
- **March 7: Troop Working Meeting 7-9 pm**
- **March 21: Patrol meeting 7-9 pm**
- **April 11: Troop Working Meeting 7-9 pm**
- **April 21-23: Working Weekend (Arrival Friday, 6:00-8:00pm ending Sunday 8:00am sharp)**
- **April 25: Troop Working Meeting 7-9 pm**
- **May 2: Troop Working Meeting 7-9 pm**
- **May 9: Troop Working Meeting 7-9 pm**
- **May 16: Troop Working Meeting 7-9 pm**
- **May 23: Final Marching Rehearsal 7-9 pm (Trunk Drop Off - Starting 6 pm – end by 6:50 pm)**
- **May 29 – June 3: Mackinac Island Scout Service Camp**